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Let us Keep our Courage

THIS year has had many ups and
downs for our Fraternity. It has
seen some chapters start out with abun-
dant promise only to see them struggling
for existence at this writing. Other chap-
ters began the year under discouraging
conditions but have built up a momentum
that is highly encouraging. Still others
have had a hard pull throughout the year.
More than half the chapters, however,
have had a prosperous year from the
very beginning.

Two factors have greatly hindered
some chapters: 1. The direct disor-
ganization caused by the war. 2. The
decreased purchasing power of the dol-
lar, which has had the effect of divert-
ing students into courses that give prom-
ise of greater pecuniary returns.

It is encouraging, however, to look
forward to the prospects even in those
institutions where chapters of Phi Delta
Kappa are having the hardest struggle.
In every case there is a state-wide re-
action taking place in favor of schools
of education. The expert educationist
is becoming recognized by business men
as a necessity in administrative positions.
One Dean of Education has lately been
made the assistant to the chancellor with

title of research professor in Education.
Another Dean of Education has been pro-
moted to a chancellorship. The dollar is
increasing in purchasing power so that
the young man who looks far enough
ahead of his nose can see reasonable as-
surance of, first, a worth while prestige
for the man who prepares for a life of
educational service, and, second, the op-
portunity to make a good living for him-
self and his family and to lay aside a
savings account ample to provide for de-
clining years.

With the attractions which commercial
activities are offering, it takes vision and
courage for a promising young man even
yet to make adequate preparation for an
educational career; but those who are
making that preparation have ahead of
them the greatest prosperity that has ever
been enjoyed by leaders in the pro-
fession.

Let us who are now in the field give
every encouragement to young men of
right ideals to enter our profession; for
now when the immediate situation is yet
a hard one for the man in education, we
are entering an era when the worthwhile
man in educational service is going to
be taken by the community more nearly
at his face value.

ABEL J. McALLISTER.

Keep Yourself in Good Standing

AS defined by the National Constitu-
tion, a member is in **good stand-
ing** who has paid his local and his na-
tional membership fee for the current fis-
cal year.

The present fiscal year ends June 30,
1921. Beginning July 1, 1921, every
member of our Fraternity, whether on
the campus or in the field, will owe his
national membership fee, which is one
dollar.

Since most chapter organizations are
not active during the summer, send your
one dollar direct to the National Secre-
tary and include with it the chapter dues
for the year 1921-22. Your chapter will
receive full credit for the remittance.

Do not wait for "manana." Do it now.

A. J. M.

Petitions from University of Virginia,
Dartmouth College and the State College
of Washington are now before the chap-
ters for consideration.